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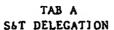
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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DELEGATION TO CHINA

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MEMORANDUM TO:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM .

Frank Press #

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SUBJECT

Science and Technology Delegation to China

The Chinese have accepted with evident interest our proposal, made at your suggestion, that I lead a delegation of senior government science and technology officials. (Proposed delegation at Tab A.) This is the highest level delegation of S&T officials the US has ever sent abroad. During the visit, now scheduled for July 7-10, I will meet with China's top science personnel and members of the delegation will meet their counterparts. Our goals are to:

- o establish contacts between senior S&T officials of both governments
- o initiate cooperative projects of mutual benefit
- o offer to help China in developing its civil sector technology through commercial, university, and governmental cooperation
- o achieve at an appropriate future time a broad S&T agreement

We will propose cooperation in a number of specific areas, implementation of which would involve joint projects, exchange of data, coordinated R&D, and training programs:

<u>Satellite Cooperation</u> (Landsat, Seasat, weather satellite, access to shuttle launch)

Germ Plasma Exchange (plant materials used in genetic research)

Biological Control of Agricultural Pests (Chinese potential to help us is high)

Energy Resource Research (prospecting for coal, oil, gas, uranium, thorium, on-shore, off-shore)

High Energy Physics (a high priority area for the Chinese, a field in which they need training and equipment)

<u>Earthquake Prediction</u> (Chinese have a great need to predict and are technically strong)

Molecular Biology/Recombinant DNA (An area of interest to the Chinese to develop new crop forms not requiring fertilization)

Public Health (epidemiology of chronic disease, childhood immunization cancer)

I am working with Zbig, Cy and the agencies in preparing for this trip.

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